

IDEA NEWSLETTER #4

IDEA Project funded by the Erasmus+ Programme of the European Union launched in November 2017, targeting the issue of Energy Poverty. Partners: UCY - Cyprus (Coordinator), DOOR - Croatia, EAP - Bulgaria, FOCUS - Slovenia



IDEA VIDEO RELEASE

The IDEA video was released and uploaded in our YouTube Channel. You can find it [here!](#)



FOURTH TRANSNATIONAL MEETING

The fourth and final transnational project meeting of IDEA project was conducted in Plovdiv, Bulgaria on the 9th and 10th of September 2019, hosted by EAP, bringing together all four partners. The purpose of the final project meeting was to discuss, organise and finalise the last activities concluding the project. Open issues and questions were resolved, results were demonstrated and an action plan was drafted for any remaining tasks of the project, with main focus on the multiplier activities.

MULTIPLIER EVENTS

UCY organised the Cyprus Multiplier Event on the 30th of September, in Nicosia. The event gathered many relevant stakeholders such as the Energy Service of the Ministry of Energy, Commerce, and Industry, the EEWRC from the Cyprus Institute, The Cyprus Energy Agency, Power Energy Cyprus, the Cyprus Consumers Association and many individuals interested on the topic of energy poverty and energy advising.

DOOR organised two Multiplier events, gathering all relevant stakeholders in the field of Energy, in Zagreb. The first Croatian multiplier event, was held on the 17th of October, in FER (University of Zagreb, Faculty of Electrical Engineering and Computing), and the second Croatian multiplier event, was held on the 30th of October at the Agency for Vocational Education and Training and Adult Education.





FOCUS organised their Multiplier event, on the 2nd of October in Ljubljana.

An extremely fruitful discussion on new policies and mechanisms for tackling Energy Poverty was held on the 30th of October in Sofia, Bulgaria!

Representatives from institutions, energy agencies, non-governmental organizations and energy consultants concluded that comprehensive and targeted measures are needed, as well as organizing working groups and collaborating between all responsible parties to tackle the problem. Specific measures have been proposed, including: improving energy education in order to change habits and understand citizens' energy consumption.

RESEARCHERS NIGHT

University Of Cyprus has disseminated IDEA Project at the European Researchers' Night in Cyprus on the 27th of October.

They had their own IDEA booth where the introductory video and the 3D Game of the project were displayed in screens. The game was available to visitors of the fair to play, and many children of all ages showed interest and played the game. They were very enthusiastic about locating and resolving energy issues and discussing with each other what the problems were (example: TV was on with nobody watching).



DISCUSSION FORUM

The new discussion forum of IDEA Project is now open. In the forum, you can browse through discussions, add a new question, answer, comment or vote for other questions. All questions relevant to energy poverty, energy advising, or about the ICT tools are welcome!

Try now our "Discussions" section to ask anything about energy poverty and energy advising: [Discussions \(click\)](#).



IDEA ENERGY ADVISORS AS ENTREPRENEURS
Innovative Direction in Energy Advising

Certified energy advisors
Certified energy advisors can conduct energy audits and issue energy certificates. They are experts who completed an official training program and are also meeting the conditions prescribed by the national law.

Non-certified energy advisors
Non-certified energy advisors are individuals which do not necessarily have a completed study in the field of technical science, but can still perform simple energy audits, install energy saving devices and provide energy saving advice.

As an energy advisor you can ...

- be an entrepreneur – a person with a clear and elaborated business idea, initial capital to start a business, a business plan, an idea of future growth and development;
- perform energy audits;
- implement simple energy efficiency measures (door and window seals, LED light bulbs, faucet aerators, reflective foil insulation, etc.);
- suggest the implementation of complex energy efficiency measures (segments of energy saving in buildings, e.g. thermo-insulation);
- produce reports and suggest policy recommendations;
- have knowledge on installation and / or maintenance of equipment such as solar panels, etc.;
- advise households on certain funding options – e.g. energy advisors can refer a household to apply to a certain call or direct it to other social services providers.

Erasmus+ University of Cyprus focus Visit: Project website at www.project-idea.eu ENERGY AGENCY OF POLYGVV DOOR Project Facebook at @ideaeuproject

POSTERS

The IDEA Posters are released, one for each educational e-manual section: Entrepreneurship Opportunities, Social Impact, Technical Training!

You can find the posters [here \(click\)](#)!

WEBINARS

Four Webinars were organized and hosted online, one by each partner during the final days of the project!

You can find at the following links the recorded webinars:

Cyprus Webinar Part 1 (UCY): [Webinar Part 1 \(click\)](#)

Cyprus Webinar Part 2 (UCY): [Webinar Part 2 \(click\)](#)

Croatian Webinar (DOOR): [Webinar](#)

Slovene Webinar (FOCUS): [Webinar](#)

Bulgarian Webinar (EAP): -

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